PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the first weights and measures law was enacted by the United States 163 years ago on March 2nd, 1799; as recommended in the First Annual Message of President George Washington; and

WHEREAS, the territory of Dakota enacted its first weights and measures laws 77 years ago on March 13, 1885; and

WHEREAS, this establishment of uniform weights and measures assisted the infant country by promoting commercial relationships among the states and its territories and between this country and the outside world; and

WHEREAS, the system of uniform weights and measures, thus established, made possible the development of the United States into one of the giant powers of the world; and the development of South Dakota into one of the great states of our narion; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we mark this great milestone in our growth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARCHIE GUBBRUD, Governor of the State of South Dakota do hereby proclaim the week of March 1-7, 1962, as

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in South Dakota and I urge all our people to reflect upon the tireless, sincere and dedicated effort on the part of all weights and measures officials of the State, who, in their service, have established consumer business confidence so that all may share the benefits of high speed production and the mass handling of commodities.

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this first day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Essie Wiedenman Secretary of State